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Dear Ms. Hesse:

As the Delegate representing the 35th House District in Northern Virginia, I am writing to encourage you to approve the settlement agreement in U.S. vs. Microsoft.

The United States has become a global technology leader because we have always encouraged our citizens to develop their skills, both intellectually and creatively, in order to invent and develop new ideas. Due to their courage, persistence, and work ethic many choose, through entrepreneurship, to further those ideas by establishing businesses. Every once in a while, one of these entrepreneurs will work hard enough to meet with extraordinary success, at which time, it seems, those that are less successful will attempt to "shoot them down."

The message this antitrust litigation sends to the entrepreneur is that if he works hard to create a successful business, he will be penalized. This works against the very spirit that has made our nation great!

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter. Once again, I respectfully request that the Department accept the settlement agreement in the U.S. v. Microsoft case.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jeannemarie Devolites".
Jeannemarie Devolites